

****2018 MONTAGUE TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS****

Elections will be held in Montague Township on Monday, October 22, 2018, for the following offices:

Reeve (1 to be elected):	Deputy Reeve (1 to be elected):	Councillors (3 to be elected):	
Bill Dobson	Jim Abbass	Jeffery Carroll	Bonnie Leach
Pat Dolan	Vince Carroll	G.J. Hagenaars	Ian Streight
	Klaas Van Der Meer	Karen Jennings	Joseph Zahab

School Board Trustee: One to be elected to each of the English Public, English Separate, French Public and French Separate School Boards.

Election Information

If you are a resident, owner or tenant of property in Montague Township, a Canadian citizen and at least 18 years of age you can vote. It is the responsibility of every elector to make sure their information is up-to-date and accurately reflected for electoral purposes. Electors may add their name or make changes to the Voters' List directly with the municipality. To do this, you can visit the Township Office with the correct identification Mondays-Fridays from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. and on October 22, 2018, from 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.

As with previous elections, the Council of the Township of Montague has authorized the use of electronic voting methods (internet and telephone) for this election. Every eligible voter will be mailed a Voter Information Letter, which will provide a Personal Identification Number (PIN), as well as information on how to vote using a touchtone phone or any device that's connected to the Internet. Eligible voters will be able to cast their ballots at any time of day, from anywhere with a phone or Internet connection, during the election period: 9 a.m. October 15 - 8 p.m. October 22. For voters without Internet access, or touch-tone phone, or for those who require assistance, a Voter Help Centre will be located at the Township Office (6547 Roger Stevens Drive). The Voter Help Centre will be open during the election period (October 15 - 22), during regular office hours (9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday), and staff will be on hand to provide assistance and answer any questions.

Visit the *Election 2018* page on the Township's website or contact the Returning Officer, Jasmin Ralph, at 613-283-7478 or jralph@township.montague.on.ca for more information.

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Township of Montague

MONTAGUE MESSENGER



~ MONTAGUE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S ANNUAL PIT BARBEQUE ~

Saturday, September 8, 2018 @

Rosedale Centennial Hall

657 Rosedale Road South, Montague

BBQ Beef & Pork Dinner Served Between 5 and 7 p.m.

For delivery orders, call 613-283-7478

by 4 p.m. Friday, September 7

The Montague Volunteer Fire Department is once again hosting its famous Pit Barbeque. This has been a major fundraiser for our department for several decades. Tickets will be on sale in advance at the Montague Township Office or from any Montague Volunteer Firefighter. Tickets will also be available at the door.

RACE THE RUNWAY!

AUGUST 11, 2018

RUSS BEACH SMITHS FALLS—MONTAGUE AIRPORT

- 80 high-performance cars running radar-clocked half-mile runs
- More than 100 cars on static display
- All proceeds given to charity
- Montague firefighters will be serving up their delicious BBQ menu .
- General admission is just \$7 at the gate. Kids under 12 are free.
- For more information, visit: racetherunway.com

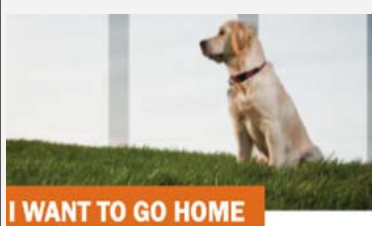


SPECIAL NEEDS - If you are a resident of Montague Township with special needs who would be affected by a lack of hydro, heat or water supply, please notify the Fire Department of your situation. Should an event arise in which these services are cut off to your home, emergency services may assist you. Also, for safety in the event of a fire, the Fire Department should be made aware if you have oxygen tanks in your residence. To advise Fire Chief Miles Greer of your situation, please call him at 613-283-7478.

CORPORATE STRATEGIC PLAN - Since late 2017, the Township of Montague has been working on its very first corporate strategic plan. The community was polled for its input in the early stages of planning, and Council and staff have worked to incorporate that feedback into a clear and actionable plan.

We are now looking for feedback from members of the public before the plan is finalized. The Strategic Plan is posted on the front page of the website. Comments will be received until August 16, 2018.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT WEEK - This September, the Township of Montague will host its first Local Government Week to showcase the role of local government, our programs and departments, and provide education to the public and the students of Montague and Smiths Falls. The exact date is to be determined. More information about the event, including the date, will be released to the public in August, posted on the Township website and in the local newspapers.



You do your best to keep your pet safe, but sometimes things happen.

◆ **Found a dog?** Contact Laura Lowson, Animal Control . She'll check for a township licence, a tattoo or microchip, and help contact its family.

◆ **Lost a dog?** Call Laura Lowson, Animal Control. She'll tell you if it has been impounded or found, and help with a safe return.

Make sure your dog always wears its identification.

Laura Lowson can be reached at 613-812-5609.

DOG LICENCES / KENNEL LICENCES: Please ensure that you go to the Municipal Office to purchase licences.

GARBAGE & RECYCLING SERVICES

WASTE COLLECTION



Each residence in Montague is allotted 90 tags, which can be picked up at the Township Office any time during the calendar year. Additional tags may be purchased for \$1 per tag. Waste collection days are Wednesdays or Fridays, depending on your location. Place garbage roadside by 7 a.m.

RECYCLING COLLECTION

Blue box collection takes place the same day as garbage pick-up. Blue boxes can be purchased at the Township Office for \$8.



NOTE: During Christmas and New Year's weeks, the waste collection schedule will move forward a day— Wednesday to Thursday, Friday to Saturday. Recycling collection days remain the same—Wednesday and Friday.

WARNING: Garbage cans and blue boxes should not be placed on the shoulder of the roads where they can be damaged, cause damage to Township vehicles or, worse, injure drivers. Please ensure that your bins and bags are placed in your driveway, near your mailbox or on your property on collection day.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DEPOT

The Township partners with other municipalities in Lanark County for a Household Hazardous Waste Depot. Household hazardous waste includes: paint, batteries, oil, cleaners, aerosol cans, anti-freeze, etc. There is also a paint exchange at the Depot. In addition, the Depot is now accepting fluorescent tubes (4 ft. max.) and CFLs (compact fluorescent light bulbs).

The Depot at Carleton Place is open Saturdays until September 1, 8 a.m. to noon.

Directions: At the intersection of Hwy 15 and Hwy 7, turn right (going east on Hwy 7). Turn left at the first set of lights – McNeely Avenue. Turn left onto Patterson Crescent and follow the signs from there.

LARGE ITEM DROP-OFF DAY

When: Saturday, October 20, 2018, 8 a.m.- 4 p.m.

Where: Montague Township Municipal Backyard

Acceptable Items: white metals, furniture, scrap metal, propane tanks, air-conditioners, fridges etc.

Please note: Trash tags or equivalent monetary value is required as per By-Law 2258-95. There will be a \$50 cash charge for fridges, freezers, and air conditioners containing Freon.

Brush: Residents may drop off brush, less than 2" diameter, at the Township yard on this day only.

WINTER PARKING & SNOW REMOVAL NOTICE



During the period from November 15, 2018, to March 30, 2019, it is an offence to:

- Park any vehicle upon any highway or boulevard under the jurisdiction of the Township of Montague between the hours of midnight and 7 a.m.
- Park or stand a vehicle in such a manner as to impede the clearing of snow from Township roadways

Any vehicle parked in contravention of this Bylaw will be towed away at the owner's expense and the owner shall be subject, upon summary conviction, to a fine.

Pursuant to the *Highway Traffic Act*, it is an offence to:

- Plow or shovel snow from private driveways across or onto Township roadways

Homeowners will be charged for violation of this act.

Protect your mailbox. Often, when a mailbox is damaged, it is because plowed snow accumulates in front of it, causing increasing weight and pressure against it over the course of the winter. It is the resident's responsibility to keep the area around the mailbox clear of snow. The Township of Montague is not responsible for damage to mailboxes or newspaper boxes. Parked vehicles that may interfere with the snow-plowing of Township roads will be removed at the owner's expense.

Missed Large Item Drop-Off Day? Items that cannot go out with the regular household waste/recycling may be taken to Glenview Iron and Metal on Highway 43 for disposal. Contact 283-5230 for possible tipping fees.

ILLEGAL ROADSIDE DUMPING costs everyone! Tax dollars are unnecessarily being spent on cleaning up illegally dumped waste. If you see illegal roadside dumping taking place, please write down the vehicle licence plate number, vehicle description and location of the offence, and contact the OPP @ 613-267-2626 or the Township's Bylaw Officer, Laura Lawson @ 613-812-5609. This is considered a criminal offence, and the perpetrator will be fined.

* 2018 TAX BILL *

Tax bills may be paid at most chartered banks, by mail, by telephone/Internet banking or in person at the Township Office. Payments can be made by cash, Interac or cheque - no credit cards. A drop box is located at the main door for those who cannot make it to the office during regular hours - do not leave cash.

Preauthorized Payment Plan for Property Tax and Utilities Payments. Automatic monthly withdrawals directly from your bank account are available for your convenience. Application forms are on our website or in person at the Township Office.

When paying your tax bill by Internet or telephone banking, you must use an eight-digit portion of your 19-digit roll number located at the top left-hand corner of your tax bill. Please use the following example to guide you: 0901 000 (_ _ _ _ _) 0000 . All eight digits located in the brackets must be used to ensure your account will be properly credited.

Unless paying in person, allow 3-5 business days for your payment to reach us. **Note:** There is a \$15 fee for a reprint of a tax bill. Keep your final tax bill for income tax purposes.

Change of Address: Montague Township mails all tax notices to the last known address provided by the property owner. It is the responsibility of the owner to provide the Township with any change to their mailing address.

WINTER ROAD MAINTENANCE

Montague Township has adopted the provincial *Minimum Maintenance Standards for Municipal Highways Reg.298/02* as the standard for year-round Township road maintenance. These benchmarks were adopted under the *Municipal Act* to standardize levels of service for various classes of roads throughout the province. They also specify reasonable response times to maintain or correct deficiencies on the roadways, depending upon their class. Provincial, county and municipal roads are classified differently within these standards, based on posted or statutory speed limit and annual average daily traffic.

Winter maintenance activities and priorities are based on the roadway classification and the associated level of service, as well as legislated hours of work, manpower and the municipal budget.

MUNICIPAL CONTACT

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MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

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Councillor Jim Abbass	613-283-0994
Councillor Vince Carroll	613-812-0911

MUNICIPAL STAFF

Richard Bennett	Acting Treasurer	Ext 210
Jasmin Ralph	Clerk Administrator	Ext 250
Shirley Szulhan	Administrative Assistant	Ext 290
Jennifer Crane	Receptionist/Accounting	Ext 230
Jim Hunter	Chief Building Official	Ext 270
Stephen Keeley	Public Works Manager	Ext 280
Laura Lawson	Municipal Law Enforcement	Ext 240 Cell: 613-812-5609
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